

## February 25, 2021 Partners Working Group Call

Attendees: Diana Dalbotten, Cliff Duke, Jody Peters, Chris Brown, Güray Hatipoğlu, Melissa Kenney

### Agenda and Notes

1. Reminder: EFI Steering Committee elections are coming up. Send nominations. To vote, make sure to sign up for [membership/renewal](#)
2. Panel or Presentation on Actionable Science/Co-production - follow up from discussion with joint Partners/Social Science call
  - a. Melissa Kenney and Mike Gerst - talked about this on Monday's Social Science call and decided to keep Melissa/Mike's talk stand alone to focus on visualizing forecast uncertainty. But want to follow up about the potential to host a panel on co-production with potentially the following individuals/partners that came up at during the Joint Call
    - i. Chris Brown or someone from NOAA
    - ii. Cindy Hu or someone from Mathematica
    - iii. Suggestion from Cliff 2-9-21: I would like to suggest inviting Mahmud Farooque, Associate Director of Arizona State University's Consortium for Science, Policy, and Outcomes (CSPO) to join the spring panel. Mahmud was a consultant on the DOI report and has done a great deal of work at the intersection of science and decision making.
    - iv. Other folks in the group may be familiar with CSPO's work, or its director Dan Sarewitz. They are based here in DC and I've participated in a number of their programs.
  - b. Have ongoing NOAA collaboration on involving and getting user needs and requirements. Chris offered to get that person on board to speak on this and user decision component
  - c. From Chris - co-production to him is multiple agencies generating things.
  - d. From Cliff - co-production to him is generating idea by involving citizens/stakeholders in the research questions not just going to them with the research outcomes. Climate Adaptation Science Centers
  - e. NOAA has water teams associated with weather, water and science. Ellen McCray has experience collecting information from stakeholders and incorporating that into the products to help those stakeholders. Compiles what kind of info the stakeholders need and then work together to generate the products. This sounds similar to what Cliff is talking about.
  - f. NOAA also has regional associations. They can help generate some of the products that go out.
  - g. NPN may also be good to group to include. Could reach out to Theresa or Melissa knows a contact as well at NPN
  - h. Ask Cindy as well if she or someone at Mathematica would like to be on the panel

- i. Chris could send email to Ellen and cc Jody and then she can follow up with a poll.
  - j. Jody will also follow up with Mahmud and cc Cliff
  - k. Shoot for a time for the panel in April
3. **Work Plan - want people to continue to look over Work Plan to refine/edit tasks for the Core Functions and to add their names to things they are most interested in or add notes to tasks they think are important but may not have time/interest to participate on**
- a. Core Function 1: Foster a Collaborative Community
    - i. Follow up with Melissa about point 3
  - b. Core Function 3: Research to Operations
    - i. How do we share and communicate the Technical Readiness Levels already in place?
  - c. Core Function 2: Promote the Co-Development and Use of Resources and Tools
  - d. Next steps for the Work Plan: Clean it up and finalize it for a temporary location. Freeze it for a while with realization that it is a living document
  - e. Then people interested in specific areas (e.g., Chris for Function 3) whereas other areas don't have time to focus on it.
  - f. Want to have a semi-permanent structure to give guidance
  - g. Core Function 3 - best practices for co-production. NOAA is starting in that direction. But how to do that is being evolved and decided. Ellen would be able to help with this and understand what is going on. Regional associates has started to pick up forecasts in Chesapeake Bay - this is an area to explore.
  - h. ASU group Mahmud is involved with publishing a nice guide on usable science (separate from the document Cliff shared that was created for the Dept of Interior). If Cliff can share the document with the group that would be great.
4. Our next Joint Call is not until June, but leaving this link here in case ideas come up.  
Google doc with Joint Call Ideas